

Neighborhood North Rainier Valley
Implementor Transportation
Matrix T-1.2

Activity *Work with King County Metro to create new Rainier Valley-serving routes to replace those that may be terminated with the construction of the Link Light Rail System. Ensure consideration for intra-Valley connections and frequency of service.*

<u>T-1.2: 1 of 1</u>	Sub-Activity	Establish plan for mitigating neighborhood traffic through construction and development projects.	
	Sub-Act Comment(s)	<p>A plan has been developed to mitigate neighborhood traffic through construction projects. The status of this project has been listed as complete, but the plan to mitigate traffic will continue to evolve as construction continues and the possibility of unforeseen circumstances occurs.</p> <p>Regular Construction updates will be available throughout the construction period. According to the most recent update that was completed in August of 2005 the following mitigation efforts are occurring:</p> <p>This update describes construction of the light rail project along Martin Luther King Jr. Way South (MLK). Sound Transit is committed to minimizing disruptions and keeping you informed about construction activities.</p> <p>Reduced speed limit on MLK The City of Seattle has recently reduced the speed limit on MLK from 35 to 30 miles per hour. Lowering the speed limit will help improve the safety of the workers and pedestrians. Please do your part and keep your speed down.</p> <p>Road Closures From late August to early September the following roads will be closed to east west traffic at MLK: Alaska St., Othello St., and Henderson St.. These roads will be closed in order to allow RCI to replace utility lines crossing under the roadway. Traffic heading east or west should use the alternate routes of Graham, Orcas, or Cloverdale.</p> <p>New traffic restrictions Construction of light rail in the Rainier Valley is well under way. As more and more of the infrastructure for light rail is built, some of the final traffic configurations are being implemented. In certain locations, you will no longer be able to make left turns across the center of MLK. Eventually, many of the intersections along MLK will be signalized to allow left turns and U-turns. This will allow drivers easier access to destinations on the opposite side of the street.</p> <p>Roadwork has begun Crews have begun re-grading and paving the section of MLK between Merton and Cloverdale. This is the first step in replacing the old asphalt road with a new concrete street. Eventually MLK will be entirely rebuilt in concrete, including sidewalks, curbs and gutters.</p> <p>On-going Utility Work RCI-Herzog continues to relocate existing utilities (electric, cable, phone, sewer and storm) and build new ones in order to make room for the new light rail tracks. Installation of new water mains and water service connections has begun between Cloverdale and Henderson streets. Myrtle street is now open to traffic, but left hand turns to northbound MLK will remain closed for several months</p> <p>Construction Information Sound Transit's toll-free construction hotline is available to respond to your comments, complaints, or</p>	Jason Wachs 11/02/05

concerns
 24 hours a day at (888) 298-2395. Information is also available online at (www.soundtransit.org) or at Sound Transit's Community Office located at 6951 Martin Luther King Jr. Way. S., Suite 224.

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2004 Priority Summary: Seattle Dept. of Transportation (SDOT) staff has met with a community transportation subcommittee on this issue. The subcommittee continues to meet to discuss traffic mitigation issues. Additionally, SDOT is coordinating with Sound Transit on plans to monitor & mitigate construction traffic. Dena Gazin
09/09/04

SDOT is coordinating with Sound Transit on plans to monitor and mitigate construction traffic. Eric Tweit
04/05/04

Target Completion	2005/0	Estimated Cost	N/A	Status	Completed
Lead Agency/Contact	Transportation; TBD,	Priority			Top

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Matrix Activity **C-6.3.1**
Because several of the local streets have no sidewalks and difficult crossings, make improvements along Walker, Hill, and/or Plum Streets. Enhance crossing of Rainier Avenue South and MLK Jr. Way South to address the needs of local users, many of whom are disabled.

C-6.3.1: 1 of 1 **Sub-Activity** Add additional pedestrian crossings on MLK and Rainier north of McClellan substation to Massachusetts.

Sub-Act Comment(s)	2004 Priority Summary: Seattle Dept. of Transportation (SDOT) is not promoting crossings at non-signalized crossings of Rainier and MLK for safety reasons. Installing a marked crosswalk at some locations may actually increase the likelihood of a pedestrian-vehicle collision. This is especially true of marked crosswalks across multi-lane roads such as MLK.	Dena Gazin 09/09/04
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Not promoting crossings at non-signalized crossings of Rainer.	Eric Tweit 04/06/04
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Potential drainage improvement opportunities.	Nancy Ahern 03/02/04
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Target Completion	Estimated Cost	N/A	Status	Closed
Lead Agency/Contact	Transportation; No Lead Contact Assigned	Priority		Third

Implementor Transportation**Matrix** C-4B.4**Activity** *Build sidewalks along MLK Jr. Way South where there are none between South Massachusetts and South McClellan.*C-4B.4: 1 of 1**Sub-Activity** Build sidewalks along MLK Jr. Way South between South Massachusetts and South McClellan.**Sub-Act** Project reviewed and updated, but no changes were made by SDOT.
Comment(s)Jason Wachs
08/22/05

2004 Priority Summary: No transportation (SDOT) funding currently available for sidewalks. SDOT suggests adjacent property owners initiate a LID to pay for sidewalks. In addition, Cumulative Reserve Funds (CRF) may be applied for to repair existing sidewalks, and Neighborhood Street Funds (NSF) to build new sidewalks. Amount of funds available for use vary greatly from year to year; contact your local Neighborhood District Coordinator (Glenn Harris) for additional information.

Dena Gazin
09/09/04**Target Completion****Estimated Cost** N/A**Status** Not started**Lead Agency/Contact** Transportation; No Lead Contact Assigned**Priority** Fourth**Implementor** Parks and Recreation**Matrix** CL-1.7**Activity** *Restore the WPA-era fieldhouse at Colman Playfield for community use.*CL-1.7: 1 of 1**Sub-Activity** Develop plans to restore the WPA-era fieldhouse at Colman Playfield for community use. Improvements include developing a "Seattle Children's Playgarden" at the south end of Colman Playfield.**Sub-Act** Updated in June 2006, but no additional comments were added.
Comment(s)Jason Wachs
08/16/05

2004 Priority Summary: A community group is interested in developing a "Seattle Children's Playgarden" at the south end of Colman Playfield. The goal of the project is to provide a specialized place to play for disabled kids, in addition to local children. Renovation of the shelter house is part of the project (most likely phase two or three). The new shelter house will be used as part of the playgarden programming as well as for community gatherings and meetings. Schematic design of the building started in spring '04. The community group will apply to the Neighborhood Matching Fund for design and construction as well as doing their own fundraising.

Dena Gazin
05/18/04

Possible NMF project.

Susanne Friedman

Target Completion**Estimated Cost** \$300,000(O)**Status** In-Progress**Lead Agency/Contact** Parks and Recreation; Pam Kliment, 684-7556**Priority** Fifth